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November 14, 2006

Valyn Davis
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Vernal, Utah 84078

Subject: Need for Amendment, Ziegler Chemical and Mineral, Neal State Mine,
M0470063, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Ms. Davis:

On October 31, 2006, Paul Baker inspected the Neal State Mine and found two discrepancies between the constructed mine site and the Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations (NOI). These are:

1. The NOI shows a road going from the Neal #2 Mine directly to the Neal #3 Mine, but, instead, a new 1500-foot road was built to the Neal #3 Mine.
2. The disturbed area around the Neal #2 and Neal #3 Mines was measured as being 3.14 acres, but the NOI only shows 2.7 acres of disturbance. There is apparently additional disturbance at the Neal #1 Mine, but this area was not measured.

Please submit an amended NOI with these changes included. If additional changes are will be needed soon, you may want to include those as well. The amendment should include an operations map at a scale of about 1"=200' showing mine shafts, roads, topsoil stockpiles, and other facilities.

The Division holds a corporate surety in the amount of \$24,000.00 for reclamation of 4.8 acres. It is not known why the surety and the NOI have different acreage figures. Because there are new facilities at the site, the Division will review the surety amount to ensure it is still adequate.

Please submit the required amendment no later than December 1, 2006. Failure to do so may result in issuance of a cessation order. If additional time is required, please contact the Division.

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If you have questions about these requirements, please contact Paul Baker at 801-538-5261. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Susan M. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Susan" being more prominent than the last name "White".

Susan M. White
Mining Program Coordinator
Minerals Regulatory Program

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cc: Gordon Ziegler, Ziegler
Will Stokes, SITLA

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